

# **PRIOR LAKE ODD-EVEN WATER RESTRICTION HANDOUT**

**Restriction hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**Restriction months: May 1 to Oct. 1**

**The following items are exempt from odd-even and day time watering restrictions:**

- Hand held hose watering of vegetable/flower gardens, flower pots, hanging baskets, car washing and general use of power washers.
- City athletic complexes; Ponds Park, Ryan Park, and Lakefront Park
- Landscaping, including newly seeded or laid sod, within the first thirty (30) days of placement with the application and inspection of the watering permit. (Permits may be obtained online.)
- Private well for irrigation.
- Residents pumping from the lake.

**Municipal water customers who violate this ordinance are subject to warnings or fines:**

- First offense; Warning
- Second offense; \$50
- Third offense; \$100
- Each subsequent offense fine shall double (\$200, \$400, \$800) for the same property owner within the same calendar year. The final shall be added to the offender's next water bill.

## **Lawn Sprinkling Regulations**

All irrigation and non-essential outdoor use of the Municipal Water System is restricted to an odd-even system in conjunction with a 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily ban effective May 1 - Oct. 1.

Residents with house addresses with the last digit being even (0, 2, 4, 6, 8) may water lawns by hose or irrigation before 10 am and after 5 pm only on even numbered calendar days.

Residents with house addresses with the last digit being odd (1, 3, 5, 7, 9) may water lawns by hose or irrigation before 10 am and after 5 pm only on odd numbered calendar days.

\*If you utilize a lawn or irrigation contractor it is important that you provide this information to them to prevent warnings or violations of the sprinkling ordinance.

More information is available on the City of Prior Lake website at [www.cityofpriorlake.com](http://www.cityofpriorlake.com) under the Fast Find section at Water Restrictions, or you may call the Public Works Department at 952-447-9830.

**Permit Requirements:**

Exceptions are made for landscaping, including newly seeded or sod placed within the first thirty (30) days of placement. To qualify for this exception you must complete the sprinkling permit form. Then an inspection will be completed by City Maintenance personnel. You will then be notified by someone from Maintenance of the approval of your application. These forms are available online or at City Hall (4646 Dakota St.) Private Wells are exempt from these restrictions.

Prior Lake Public Works thanks you for your cooperation with the watering restrictions so we will not have to impose further restrictions of water use throughout the City of Prior Lake. These conservation efforts help to spread the use of municipal water out during the day so water towers can remain full to serve peak water demands and emergencies such as fires.

Thank you,

**City of Prior Lake Public Works Department**